

What is claimed is:

1. A method of controlling the surveillance of an area with a mobile terminal comprising the steps of;
- 5 receiving a request for surveillance from the mobile terminal, identifying the area that is to be under surveillance, and orienting equipment to effect surveillance of the identified area.
2. The method of claim 1 further comprising the step of:
- 10 using information from the mobile terminal to identify the area that is to be under surveillance.
3. The method of claim 1 further comprising the step of using information from at least one base station to identify the area that is to be under
- 15 surveillance.
4. The method of claim 1 further comprising the step of using information from global positioning system ground stations to identify the area that is to be under surveillance.
- 20 5. The method of claim 2 wherein the area under surveillance is the area where the mobile terminal is located.
6. The method of claim 5 wherein the location of the mobile terminal is
- 25 determined from global positioning satellite signals.
7. The method of claim 5 wherein the location of the mobile terminal is determined from the wireless network.
8. The method of claim 5 further comprising the step of using the coordinates of the location of the mobile terminal to orient a video surveillance camera to focus in on the location of the mobile terminal.
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9. The method of claim 5 wherein the location of the mobile terminal relative to that of the equipment to effect surveillance is used to aim the equipment toward the mobile terminal.

5 10. The method of claim 5 wherein the equipment used to effect surveillance

11. The method of claim 5 wherein a person at the mobile terminal is in audio communication via the wireless network with an attendant at a video monitor.

10 12. The method of claim 5 wherein the equipment used to effect surveillance remains focused for a fixed interval of time.

13. The method of claim 1 further comprising making a recording of the area under surveillance.

15 14. The method of claim 1 wherein the request for surveillance from the mobile terminal is effected by activation a menu and selecting a surveillance option from the menu.

20 15. The method of claim 1 wherein the request for surveillance from the mobile terminal is effected by entering a code.

16. The method of claim 16 wherein the code comprises one or more digits.

25 17. The method of claim 1 further comprising the step of recording data from the active equipment effecting surveillance of the identified area.